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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2005, setting a one-month period for reply and containing a restriction requirement and a request for election of species. In response, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the claims of Group I, and the species (i) polynucleotide encoding PreM, M and E; (ii) recombinant poxvirus and canarypox/ALVAC; (iii) a vector that contains a nucleic acid molecule encoding the antigen/immunogen/epitope; (iv) the immunogenic composition is administered prior to a WNV isolated antigen; and (v) a horse. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a), a three-month extension of the term for reply, i.e. up to and including March 17, 2006 is respectfully requested. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of $1020.00, in payment of the fee required

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